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Court frees outed police co-operator

Crown and police failed to protect identity of informer X.Y.: Decision ◗ X.Y. released from prison ◗ X.Y. had been attacked there for being a 'rat' ◗ Justices say convictions quashed only in rarest cases where police and Crown actions amount to abuse of process

In a 3-0 decision yesterday, the Ontario Court of Appeal quashed the conviction and ended the prison term of a person known only as X.Y. because prosecutors and police released evidence exposing X.Y.'s informer status.

Confidential informer privilege is "sacrosanct," said justices Eileen Gillese, Susan Lang and David Watt in a decision whose authorship is attributed only to "The Court."

The court found that, while being interviewed after having been arrested, X.Y. asked that the recording device be switched off. An officer left the room and turned off a master recording system, but a secondary system continued to roll. Believing the interview was no longer being taped, X.Y. began discussing his work as an informer and named the officer who was his police handler.

After assuring X.Y. their discussion had not been taped, the interviewing officer arranged for a secretary to transcribe the recording.

He turned the transcript over to the Crown without making any effort to first confirm X.Y.'s status as an informer and whether any steps should be taken to protect X.Y.'s identity.

Prosecutors also asked no questions, handing electronic and hard copies of the interview over to defence counsel as part of their disclosure.

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Campaign. Mobile

▶ NDP Leader Jack Layton leaves Lula Lounge following a campaign stop yesterday.
See story on page 4 for more on Layton's day. See pages 10 & 11 for extended campaign coverage.

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Layton takes road show to Little Portugal

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Woman gets life in prison

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Short bursts of fat loss

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Tenants who want out early must sign waiver

Some tenants at 80 Cosburn Ave. have a tough decision to make.

Everyone who lived in the 17-storey East York building remains locked out after an electrical fire forced them from their homes Feb. 15.

And now, almost seven weeks later and with no return date in sight, those anxious to find a permanent home somewhere else have been informed that if they want out of their leases they must sign a document absolving their landlord of any liability in the fire.

Danny Roth, a spokesperson for building owner Hanard Investments Ltd. and property management firm Brown Group of Companies Inc., said tenants wanting to leave can always terminate their leases by giving the standard 60 days' notice.

Having tenants who want to leave earlier sign the "full and final release" form, absolving the landlord, is a step that was decided upon after the landlord sought legal counsel, Roth said.

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▶ Jim Marantos moves some of his belongings from an apartment at 80 Cosburn Ave. Marantos was one of 200 tenants displaced after a fire last February.

Panhandler gets life for man's death

Nicole Kish asserts innocence, says she would have pleaded guilty had she actually killed Ross Hammond

An Ontario Superior Court judge has sentenced Nicole Kish to life in prison with no chance of parole for 12 years.

Justice Ian Nordheimer made his decision at a sentencing hearing yesterday. On March 1, he ruled that Kish, 24, was guilty of second-degree murder in the death of Ross Hammond, who was stabbed in 2007.

Prior to her sentencing, Kish read a statement from a sheet of paper held in trembling hands.

"It is terrifying to be continually punished for this crime that I did not commit," she said. "I am no murderer."

Hammond, 32, died after being stabbed Aug. 8, 2007. The St. Catharines man was bar-hopping with a colleague on Queen Street when he encountered Kish.

The young woman asked Hammond for money and an escalating dispute ensued, culminating in Hammond being stabbed four times in the chest.

Nordheimer said Kish either stabbed Hammond all four times, delivering the fatal blow, or passed the knife to someone who did.

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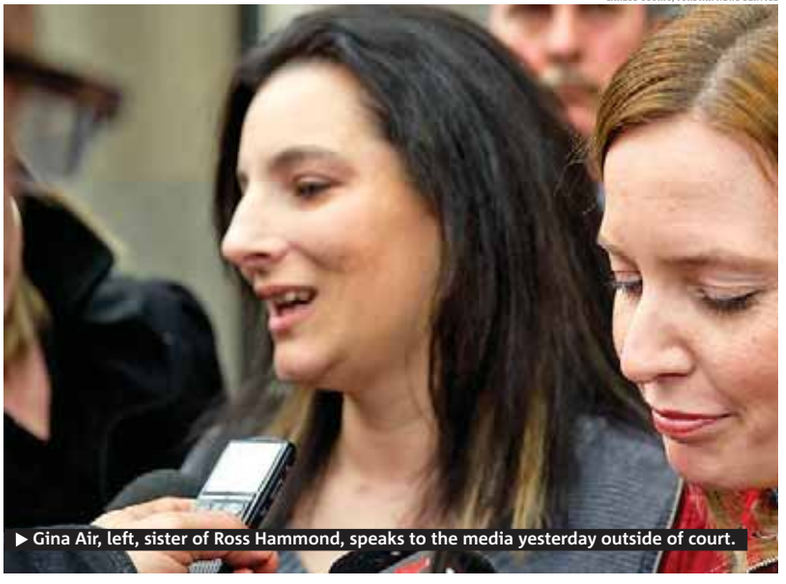

▶ Gina Air, left, sister of Ross Hammond, speaks to the media yesterday outside of court.

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Fantino not keen with another vote

Vaughan MP was accused of running a 'peek-a-boo campaign' after he refused to take part in an all-candidate's debate before November byelection

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▶ Julian Fantino, who is running for re-election in a hot GTA riding, attends a meet-and-greet at Nino D'Aversa Bakery yesterday in Woodbridge.

Julian Fantino doesn't care much for this election.

"This is totally unproductive," he says. "As much as people can speak about democracy and all of that, which I highly respect, I think that this is all very opportunistic. It's an attempt at power and control."

Fantino, appointed secretary of state for seniors in January, was just settling into his new job when Parliament dissolved. Now, he, like every other MP, is stuck lobbying his neighbours to send him back to Ottawa.

It's a week into the campaign and Fantino, 68, is sipping a decaffeinated coffee on a 15-minute break from canvassing. Sitting in a coffee shop, the former chief of the Toronto police and commissioner of the OPP casts a much starker image than that of the smiling politician that adorns the countless fliers flooding his Vaughan riding.

He says he is frustrated. Frustrated by the political process. Frustrated by the Liberals. Frustrated that after just four months as an MP and three months in Stephen Harper's cabinet, he is back campaigning, something he likens to "pounding the beat" — police talk for a foot patrol.

The first thing Fantino does when greeting many of his constituents, he says, is apologize for having to ask them to again vote in his favour.

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News in brief

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▶ Grow-op busted

Police bust home grow-op

MARIJUANA. Two Toronto residents are charged with drug offences after police found a marijuana grow-operation in Toronto.

They say they found 1,228 marijuana plants, quantities of dried marijuana and growing equipment on a Chalkfarm Drive home Friday.

Hoang Nguyen, 29, and Van Nguyen, 34, are charged with producing marijuana, possession of marijuana for the purpose of trafficking, and theft of electricity.

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Driver injured after car hits school

LIFE-THREATENING INJURIES. A driver is in hospital with life-threatening injuries after his car went off a road in Toronto and struck St. Basil-the-Great College School early yesterday.

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Suspect sought in sex assault

SKETCH. A composite sketch has been released by Toronto police of a man wanted for sexually assaulting a 12-year-old girl last month.

On March 23, two 12-year-old girls were walking to school in the Brimley Road and Highway 401 area, when they were approached by a man armed with a pocket knife. The suspect sexually assaulted one of the girls before both managed to escape and call police.

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NDP pitches better pensions, doubling CPP

The NDP wants to see a big expansion of Canada's public pension system.

New Democrat Leader Jack Layton says the Canada Pension Plan has been long neglected by successive Conservative and Liberal governments.

Speaking in Toronto, Layton said the retirement security of millions of people has eroded over the last decade and his party intends to set it right.

He's proposing to gradually double CPP and QPP benefits in conjunction with the provinces, a measure that could require a 2.5 per cent increase in payroll deductions.

He is also pledging to add $700 million to the Guaranteed Income Supplement to help seniors in the lowest income brackets.

The pillars of the NDP's pension strategy were first announced in a speech in October 2009 and some elements, namely the GIS increase, were pinched by the Liberals last week in their bid to entice the left-leaning vote.

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▶ NDP Leader Jack Layton, with wife Olivia Chow, waits before he is introduced at Lula Lounge in Toronto.

Where the plans differ is the Liberals offered Canadians a new voluntary, tax-deductible retirement savings option backed by the CPP.

Layton said he will also extend the amount of time seniors can retroactively claim those benefits to 36 months from the current 11 months. "We think as a Canadian, you have a right to that program and the government should make sure that you receive those benefits." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Ryan Dolby

▶ **Dropping out.** Ryan Dolby, who ran for the NDP in 2008, dropped out of the race in Elgin-Middlesex-London last week and backed his Liberal rival. The move stunned New Democrats.

Case of tuberculosis at Toronto school

Public health officials in Toronto say parents shouldn't panic after someone at St. Maria Goretti Catholic School was diagnosed with an active case of tuberculosis. The patient is reported to be doing well.

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Election signs defaced

Police have been asked to investigate after 100 election signs of Liberal candidate Ryan Keon (Nepean-Carleton) were vandalized.

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▶ Ryan Keon's defaced sign.

Retired cops nearly hijacked at gunpoint

Two retired police officers from Ontario say their police training helped save their lives last Thursday when they were faced by an attempted hijacking by eight gunmen in Matamoros, Mexico, just a few kilometres from the U.S. border. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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It pays to go to school — literally

Not that there aren't drug dealers in Colombia, admits Grade 12 student Santiago Arboleda — but is that all Canadians can think of when they learn where he was born?

"People ask me, 'Oh, I bet you sell cocaine' — gang stereotypes about Latin Americans are everywhere," said the young illustrator at Central Technical School, who was recently accepted into the Ontario College of Art and Design University.

He is part of an unusual new program aimed at tackling the nearly 40 per cent dropout rate among Toronto's Latino teens, who are said to quit, a recent study found, partly because they get discouraged by negative stereotypes.

Now, in a pilot project that has drawn the attention of educators from the United States, 20 Central Tech students from Spanish-speaking families, some at risk of dropping out, are taking a Grade 12 credit course every Saturday from February until June — for which they get paid $25 each week.

They will get paid from the University of Toronto's faculty of education, which runs the course with the Toronto District School Board.

Moreover, each student who passes the course will be offered a summer job with the city's Focus On Youth program.

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▶ Prof. Ruben Gaztambide-Fernandez talks to students at Central Technical School as part of the new TDSB program that pays students to go to class.

YouStudy

- Conducted in Spanish with a sprinkling of English — everyone is bilingual — the students are designing a research project into the links between immigration, happiness and why so many of their peers drop out.
- "Instead of other people studying them, we're making them the researchers," said Prof. Ruben Gaztambide-Fernandez.

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UN targets Ivory Coast's Gbagbo

A United Nations helicopter fired at strongman Laurent Gbagbo's forces yesterday as France authorized its military to take out his heavy weapons, an unprecedented escalation in the international community's efforts to oust the entrenched leader.

The office of French President Nicolas Sarkozy said UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon had requested France's military participation.

Gbagbo lost presidential elections in November but has refused to cede power to Alassane Ouattara even as the world's largest cocoa producer teetered on the brink of all-out civil war.

The UN helicopter fired on Gbagbo's troops at about 5 p.m. local time yesterday to prevent them from using heavy weapons at the Akouedo camp in Abidjan, said Nick Birnback, the spokesman for the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations. The military base houses Gbagbo's arsenal.

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▶ A soldier walks in front of a destroyed car at the Akouedo military camp in Abidjan.

An especially strongly worded resolution passed last week by the UN Security Council condemned "in the strongest terms the recent escalation of violence throughout the country which could amount to crimes against humanity."

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Conflict

- The two men have vied for the presidency for months, with Ouattara using his considerable international clout to financially and diplomatically suffocate Gbagbo.
- Forces backing Ouattara launched a dramatic offensive last week, seizing control of the administrative capital and other towns.

Japan dumps tainted water

Millions of gallons of radioactive water dumped in ocean ◐ Officials say it should not affect safety of area seafood

Workers began pumping more than three million gallons of contaminated water from Japan's tsunami-ravaged nuclear plant into the Pacific Ocean yesterday, freeing storage space for even more highly radioactive water that has hampered efforts to stabilize the reactors.

It will take about two days to pump most of the less-radioactive water out of the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear complex, whose cooling systems were knocked out by the magnitude-9.0 earthquake and tsunami March 11.

Radioactivity is quickly diluted in the ocean, and government officials said the dump should not affect the safety of seafood in the area.

Since the disaster, water with different levels of radioactivity has been pooling throughout the plant. People who live within 20 kilometres have been evacuated and have not been allowed to return.

The pooling water has damaged systems and the radiation hazard has prevented workers from getting close enough to power up cooling systems needed to stabilize dangerously vulnerable fuel rods.

"We think releasing water with low levels of radiation is preferable to allowing water with high levels of radiation to be released into the environment," said Junichi Matsumoto, an official with plant operator Tokyo Electric Power Co.

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▶ The Japan Coast Guard rescues a dog found drifting on the roof of a house floating off Kesennuma, Japan. The rescued dog named Ban immediately jumped to her owner and wagged her tail at their reunion yesterday, more than three weeks after Japan's deadly tsunami.

Landmark support

The CN Tower and other landmarks around the world were scheduled to be lit up in the colours of Japan last night.

- The plans were for red and white lights to illuminate the CN Tower, the Olympic Tower in Montreal, the Empire State Building and other structures.
- It was a global show of support for the people of Japan still reeling from the devastating earthquake and tsunami that killed thousands of people and caused billions of dollars in damage.

More body remains found at N.Y. beach

Investigators scouring dense undergrowth for victims of a suspected serial killer along a remote New York beach area found three more sets of remains yesterday, authorities said, bringing the total number of bodies to eight.

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Opponents reject roles for Gadhafi sons

A diplomatic push by Moammar Gadhafi's regime ran into trouble yesterday as opponents at home and abroad rejected any solution to the Libyan conflict that would involve one of his sons taking power. Italy became the third nation to declare that the rebels' interim council in Libya is the only legitimate voice. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Israel OK's building in contested area

Jerusalem officials gave preliminary approval for the building of 942 new apartments in a Jewish development in the city's contested eastern sector, threatening to create new friction ahead of the Israeli president's White House visit. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Won't misuse majority: PM

Stephen Harper says Tories do not have secret agenda ◐ Would use majority to implement party platform ◐ Gay marriage, abortion not priority

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Stephen Harper says Canadians don't have to worry about a secret agenda if they give him his first majority government.

The prime minister told supporters in the Niagara Falls region yesterday he would not try to pass laws against abortion or same-sex marriage if elected with a majority.

In answer to a question from a reporter, Harper said he would implement promises in his platform if given a majority, stressing those two issues are not a priority with the party.

He would, however, move to abolish the long-gun registry, which he said has been a long-standing position of his party.

"We will govern on the platform we are elected on," he said. "Abolishing the long-gun registry is a position of the Conservative party held by every single member of the caucus.

"On the other matters you mention (abortion and gay marriage), they are not in the Conservative platform. I have no intention of opening up those issues."

Harper was not asked and did not say whether he would support a private member's bill on the issues.

The Conservatives have long been plagued with the spectre of a secret agenda should they have enough seats in the House of Commons to override opposition checks, an issue that has dogged their campaign in past elections.

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Gun registry

- The issue is emerging again because some recent polls show the party within striking distance of forming a majority.
- Harper is gearing his campaign on picking up the additional seats he needs for a majority. Yesterday, he was again targeting New Democrat Malcolm Allen of the riding of Welland.
- Allen initially backed a Tory private member's bill to kill the registry but then switched his vote.

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Iggy courts military vote

Promises community 'Heroes Fund' for fallen peace officers and firefighters, and new Canada Service Corps

The Liberals are setting their campaign sights on military veterans with a $120-million "Vets, not jets" promise.

Michael Ignatieff told supporters in Halifax yesterday that a Liberal government would pay the full costs of tuition, books, accommodations and living expenses for up to four years of post-secondary education or technical training for veterans.

"While Stephen Harper chooses to spend $30 billion on untendered stealth fighter jets, we're saying clearly our priority is vets, not jets," Ignatieff said.

"There can be no more fitting tribute to the service of our Canadian Forces than to guarantee that they have full support to go to college, university or technical training after they complete their service."

On Sunday, Ignatieff released the Liberal campaign platform loaded with $8 billion to Canadian households.

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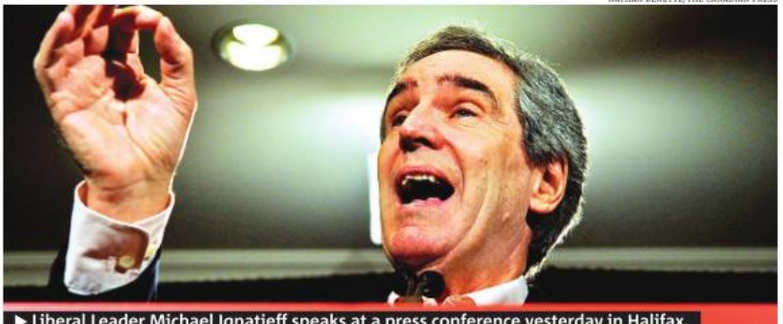

▶ Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff speaks at a press conference yesterday in Halifax.

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▶ Two-year-old Ethan Bobak horses around yesterday as Prime Minister Stephen Harper answers media questions following a campaign event at Ethan's grandfather's farm in Wainfleet, Ont.

'Liberals still have a long way to go': Pollster

The Liberals made modest gains on the Tories at the end of the federal election campaign's first week, but could face an uphill battle in the key battleground around Toronto, a new poll suggests.

The latest Canadian Press Harris-Decima poll puts the Conservatives at 35 per cent support, ahead of the Liberals at 28 per cent. The NDP was at 17 per cent, while the Bloc Québécois stood at 10 per cent and the Greens at eight.

The results are almost identical to the federal election standings that delivered a Conservative minority government in 2008.

The telephone survey of 1,000 people was conducted between Thursday and Sunday and has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

Harris-Decima's two-week sampling of voter intention, which wrapped up Sunday, gave the Conservatives the support of 37 per cent of respondents, 11 points better than the Liberals.

That survey of 2,000 respondents carried a margin of error of plus or minus 2.2 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

Those results offer partial support for the notion that the Liberals had a fairly good start to the campaign, said Harris-Decima chairman Allan Gregg.

Voters may also be warming up — albeit modestly — to Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff, he added.

"Perhaps even more encouraging for the Liberals is the fact that their leader, Michael Ignatieff — while still having the highest 'unfavourable' ratings of all of the five federal leaders — has improved his favourable ratings," said Gregg.

The number of people who view Ignatieff favourably has increased to 37 per cent, up from 25 per cent in February, his highest "favourable" number since September 2009.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Stephen Harper's "unfavourable" rating increased by nine points to 52 per cent, up from 43 per cent in February. That's Harper's highest unfavourable ranking since the start of the last federal election in September 2008. THE CANADIAN PRESS

A modest shift

- Across Ontario, the Tories led the Liberals 43-34 in the most recent Sunday-to-Thursday polling, with the NDP at 14 per cent, and the Greens at eight.
- That's only a modest shift from the two-week sampling that gave the Tories a 41-33 lead, with the NDP and Greens at 17 per cent and eight per cent respectively.
- Harris-Decima poll suggests a 35-28 Tory lead over the Liberals after Week 1.

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Google eyes Nortel patents

Deal would propel Google into telecom market Auction in June

Global tech titan Google Inc. wants to scoop up 6,000 patents and patent applications from the Nortel Networks portfolio, and is willing to pay at least $900 million US for the package, Nortel said yesterday.

Google's stalking-horse offer, for what is practically the last major asset to be sold by the bankrupt Canadian technology giant, will be the opening bid in an auction that could push the final price higher. The deal would provide legal rights to a broad range of telecom technologies.

Kent Walker, general counsel for California-based Google, says its bid for the patents is a defence against "an explosion in patent litigation." If successful, Google hopes the patents will help it and its partners to innovate and also "create a disincentive" for others to sue Google, Walker said.

The ultimate monetary value of the patents is difficult to judge, since that depends on how useful they are in making products that generate revenue.

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▶ Google Inc. has bid $900 million US for about 6,000 patents from Nortel, whose corporate headquarters is in Mississauga.

Patents pending

- **Google is best known for** its Internet search engine but it is moving into other areas of the technology market, including telecom.
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Firms curb enthusiasm

Rising oil and food prices, along with the persistent strength of the loonie, are chipping away at plans by Canadian businesses to hire and reinvest, the Bank of Canada said yesterday. Its spring business outlook survey shows Canadian firms remain bullish about the future, but less so than three months ago. Overall, the survey shows the economic recovery is advancing, and more firms, particularly in the Prairies, are operating near capacity.

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ENGAGING CHARACTERS

There comes a time in your mid- to late 20s when you start to realize that all of your friends are getting engaged. Suddenly, all of those long-term couples that seemed perfectly content to cohabitate are putting a ring on it and making it official.

When announcing upcoming nuptials to friends and family, the newly betrothed can expect a diverse range of reactions. Jubilant shrieks of excitement are not uncommon, as are tactless inquiries about carat size from nosy co-workers. And while there are plenty of books on wedding etiquette, not everyone understands the proper protocol when it comes to engagements. Here are just a few of the not-so-well-mannered characters you might encounter after you announce that you are tying the knot.

The pressure-cooker friend

"So, have you picked a date ... thought about the flowers ... booked a photographer?" This hyper-organized pal will whip up a spreadsheet of wedding related to-dos before you have even finished your first glass of celebratory champagne.

The desperate to be in the wedding party friend

Expect this friend to spend a lot of time reminding you just how close you are — the very ambitious campaigners might even deliver a Why I Deserve To Be Your Maid Of Honour/Best Man speech in an attempt to secure a spot up at the altar. Alternatively, some friends will disappear from your radar entirely in the hopes you don't ask them to don pink taffeta on the big day.

The disapproving friend

Inevitably, some friends will choose the moments following your engagement to let you know how they really feel. Disapproving pals will complain about losing their fun single friend, inquire whether or not you are really ready for this commitment and insinuate that maybe you could do better.

The why couldn't it have been me friend

This Debbie Downer will find any way to turn your happy news into an "it's all about me" situation. After she offers a half-hearted "congratulations" you will find yourself consoling her while she hosts her own pity party and delivers a self-absorbed monologue on her own failed romantic life.

While there are plenty of wrong ways to behave around the bride and groom-to-be there is really only one thing you need to know about post-engagement decorum: Act happy, even if you're not. If you want to be a good friend, send a card, but keep your opinions to yourself.

Read more of Jessica Napier's columns at metronews.ca/shesays

Worth mentioning

NICOSIA, Cyprus. A jailed Cypriot murderer ordered his brother to dig up the corpse of the island's former president and hide it so he could negotiate his own release from prison, a court ruled yesterday.

The court found the jailed murderer, his brother and another man guilty of unlawfully exhuming the body of Tassos Papadopoulos.

Papadopoulos's corpse was snatched from a Nicosia cemetery during an overnight storm in December 2009 and reburied three months later after police found his body and arrested the suspects.

The case shocked public opinion, and even touched off rumours of political motivation in light of ongoing talks to reunify the island that was split into a Greek Cypriot south and a breakaway Turkish Cypriot north in 1974.

Papadopoulos served as president between 2003 and 2008, and died of cancer that year at 74, months after losing a re-election bid to current President Dimitris Christofias.

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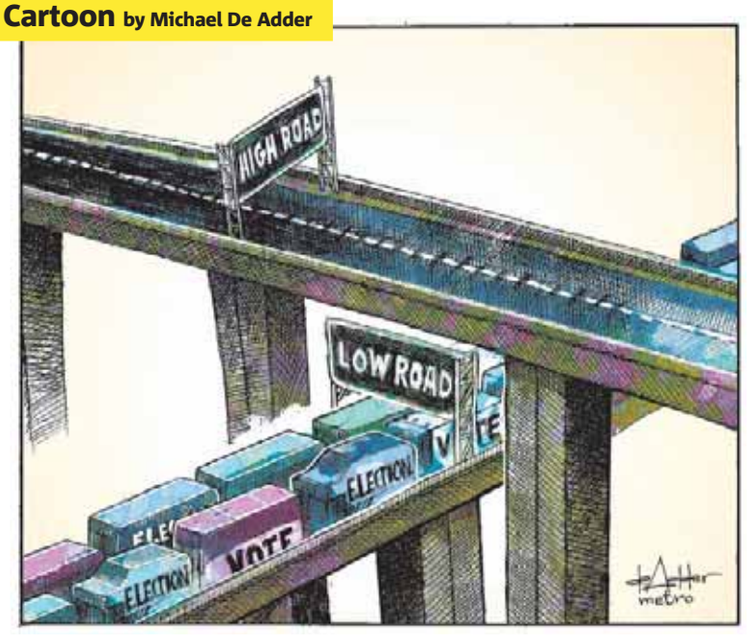

WEIRD NEWS

puts up a fight in Vietnam

Veterinarians examined a rare giant turtle considered sacred by many Vietnamese at a makeshift hospital in Hanoi yesterday to check mysterious lesions afflicting one of the last four known members of its species.

The giant soft-shell turtle, which has a shell the size of a desk and is estimated to weigh approximately 200 kilograms, was pulled from a lake in the heart of the capital Sunday.

Tests were being run to try to pinpoint what is ailing the creature, said Tim McCormack, program co-ordinator of the Asian Turtle Program. He said photos taken of it in a holding tank showed injuries on its legs and elsewhere, but it was not yet clear how serious they are.

The animal is believed to be about 80 to 100 years old, though many Vietnamese believe it is the same mythical creature said to have helped King Le Loi fend off the Chinese nearly six centuries ago. It took 50 workers two hours Sunday to net the turtle and put it in a cage. It is the first time anyone has captured the creature, which escaped through two nets during a similar rescue attempt last month. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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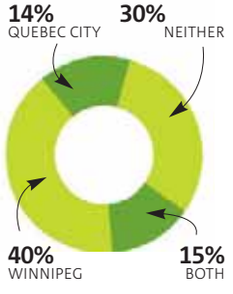
Which city do you think will get an NHL team?



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Local tweets

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- **@tuxforpm:** When politicians begin a statement by saying "I don't know," I believe them.
- **@paisleyrae:** Pragmatic Thought For Today: Ignatieff doesn't have "flash" factor of say, Obama. But we're less likely to have false hopes
- **@min_reyes:** i want a Canada that will protect me when I am abroad not by military but by gaining international respect
- **@starstriding:** Torontonians still have Billion$ memories of G20 spending fiasco ... will vote for onion ring before vote for Harper
- **@sattva01:** Liberals, I don't blame you, I blame your parents for raising such angry destructive children. Terrible parents!!
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▶ The Kennedys mini-series debuts Sunday on History Television.

Stepping into the shoes of an American legend

Canadian actor John White plays the young John F. Kennedy in The Kennedys mini-series

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For Mississauga, Ont., native John White, shooting The Kennedys was as much a homecoming as a learning experience.

"I moved back with the parents during filming," says the Los Angeles-based actor who plays the young John "Jack" Kennedy in the miniseries, which was shot in and around Toronto last year. "On days off, I hung around set and watched Greg Kinnear (who plays the older JFK) and others. Which is somewhat unusual. Usually on a film it's all about showing up, doing your job, and getting the hell out of the way. But the director (Jon Cassar) encouraged it."

The four-part, eight hour The Kennedys follows the famous family's tragedy-strewn personal lives from the 1930s through John F. Kennedy's shortened presidency.

Besides Kinnear, the behind-the-scenes drama stars Barry Pepper (as Bobby), Katie Holmes (Jackie) and Tom Wilkinson as family patriarch Joe Kennedy Sr..

It was Joe Sr. who first envisioned a presidency for his son; though not the son you'd expect.

"Joe favoured older son Joe Jr.," says White. "But after he was killed in the war, Jack sort of became the favourite son by default. And so he had to take the reigns."

White — who is probably best known as Erik Stiffler from the American Pie movie series — says the Kennedys' familiar Boston-Harvard accent could get a little tricky at times. White says he honed it by watching old presidential speeches.

"You'd go a little too far with it sometimes," he said "But we had a great dialect coach. He'd help tweak the accent and tell you when it just wasn't good."

Though the Kennedy story is well-chronicled, White says there are a few things about John F. Kennedy that might shock people.

"I was surprised by how many health problems he had. But he dealt with it with a real wicked sense of humour. I read some of his personal letters, which are real funny. Can't repeat them here though."

Part one of The Kennedys, featuring John White, airs Sunday on History Television.

Scene in brief

Arnold Schwarzenegger says his new animated TV venture The Governator features a "superheroic guy" who gets things done — without constraints like laws to thwart his action.
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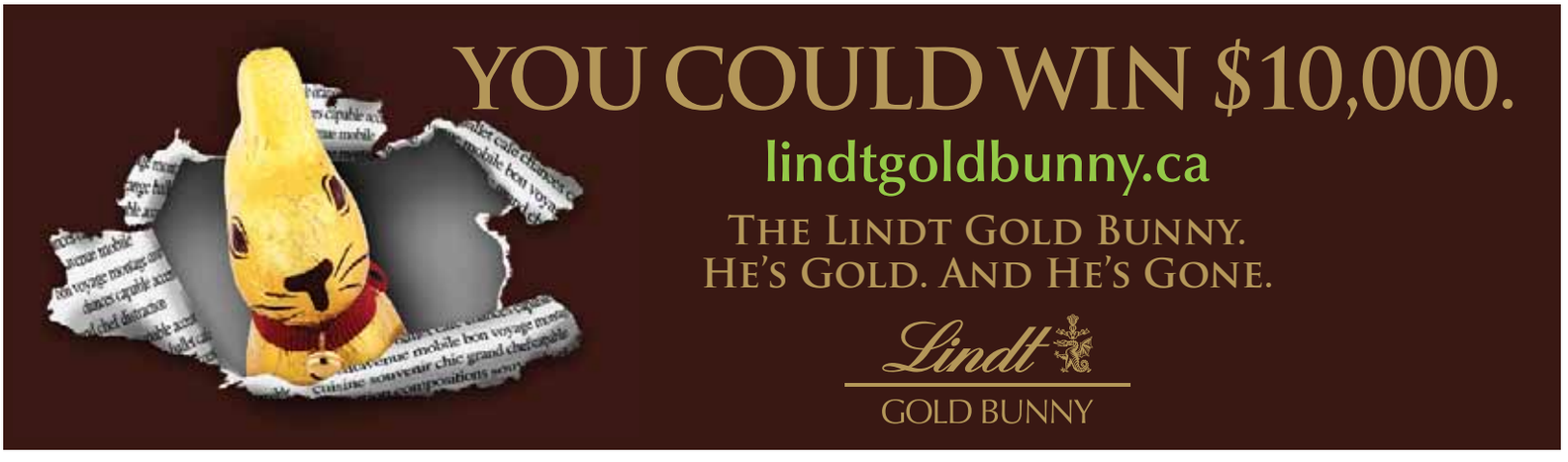
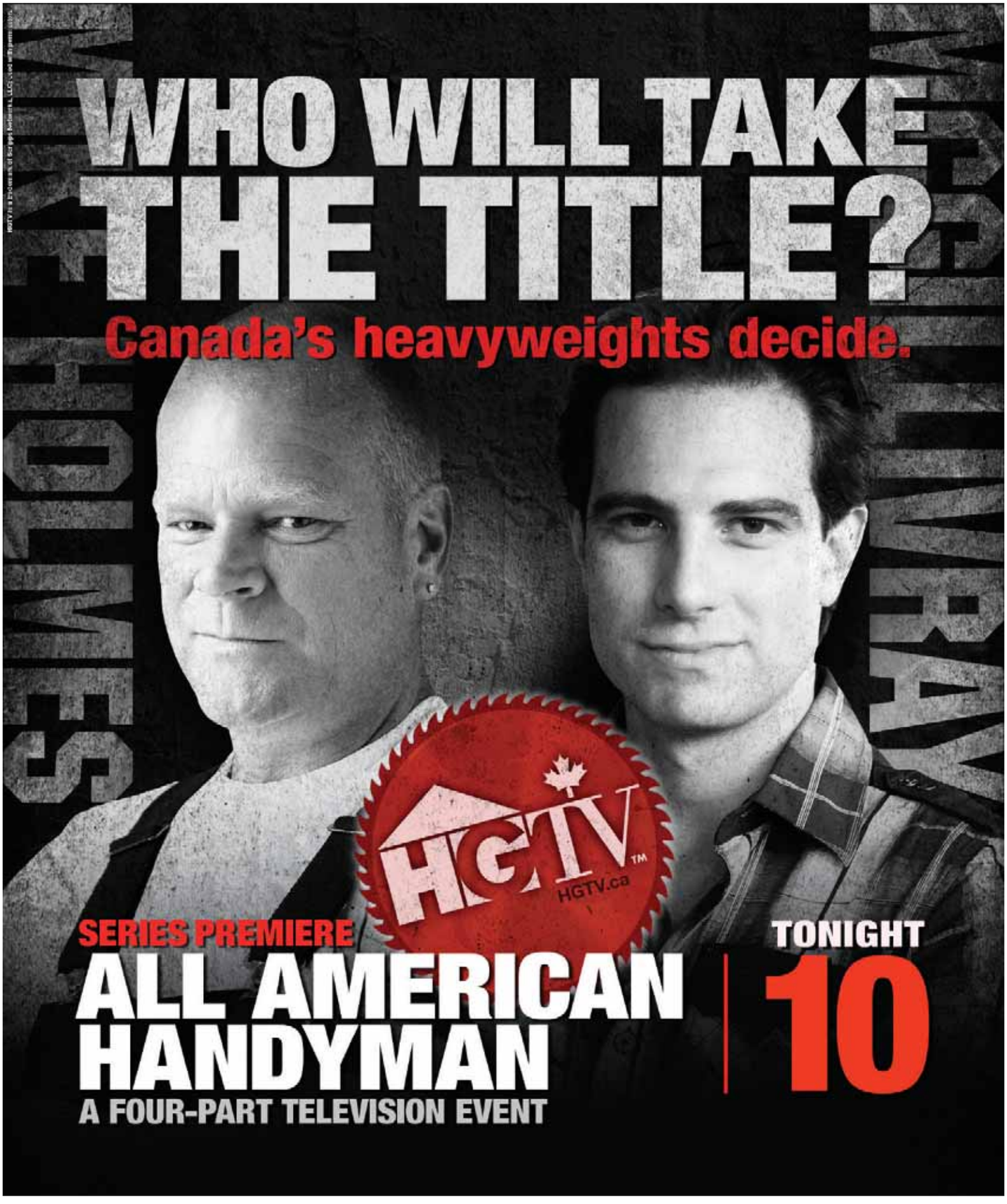
Fans carry Taylor Swift to ACM entertainer of the year, Miranda Lambert wins 4 awards

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▶ Actors Bret Harrison (L) and Christian Slater speak onstage during the Breaking In panel at the FOX Broadcasting Company portion of the 2011 Winter TCA press tour.

SLATER STARS IN NEW TV COMEDY SERIES

Christian Slater returns to television with Breaking In, a comedy about a company that tests security systems by trying to outsmart them — with varying degrees of success. Metro caught up with Slater and co-star Brett Harrison (Reaper) at WonderCon for a less-than-serious chat about their new gig.

Your show has an episode that takes place at Comic-Con, right?

HARRISON: Yeah! The Comic-Con episode, we're hired to hand-deliver Goonies 2: the Legend of Sloth to the right people so a select group of nerdlings get to see this movie. And they don't want to have another Wolverine happening.

SLATER: So basically, the studio has got a special contest where a hundred lucky people get to come see this screening. Then what happens is the rest of the fans that don't get to go to this special screening are in an uproar, basically. We have the one copy of the movie and all of these people are coming out of the woodwork doing everything they can and all of these crazy kinds of disguises at Comic-Con.

Have either of you had much Comic-Con or WonderCon experience before?

HARRISON: I haven't been to WonderCon before this, but I've been to Comic-Con once, and it was great. It's like a circus, man. It's a lot of fun.
SLATER: Me? No. This is a good way to start, though, right? I likey. This is good.

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Cowboys, aliens and Barbie, oh my

At WonderCon, the sci-fi convention, talent from most of this summer's biggest blockbusters reveal their tricks, toys and talents

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▶ Two fans got in the spirit — and some elaborate costumes — at WonderCon in San Francisco on the weekend.

San Francisco was overrun with superheroes this weekend, as movie stars, filmmakers and thousands of fans — many in elaborate homemade costumes — hit town for WonderCon.

Celebrating its 25th year, the convention is making a name for itself as a less-crazed alternative to July's San Diego Comic-Con, with a lower number of attendees and a more laid-back atmosphere. And with it's early April date, the smaller convention offers a much better opportunity for Hollywood studios to promote their summer fare — though three big comic book movies coming out in the next few months, Captain America, Thor and X-Men: First Class, were notably absent.

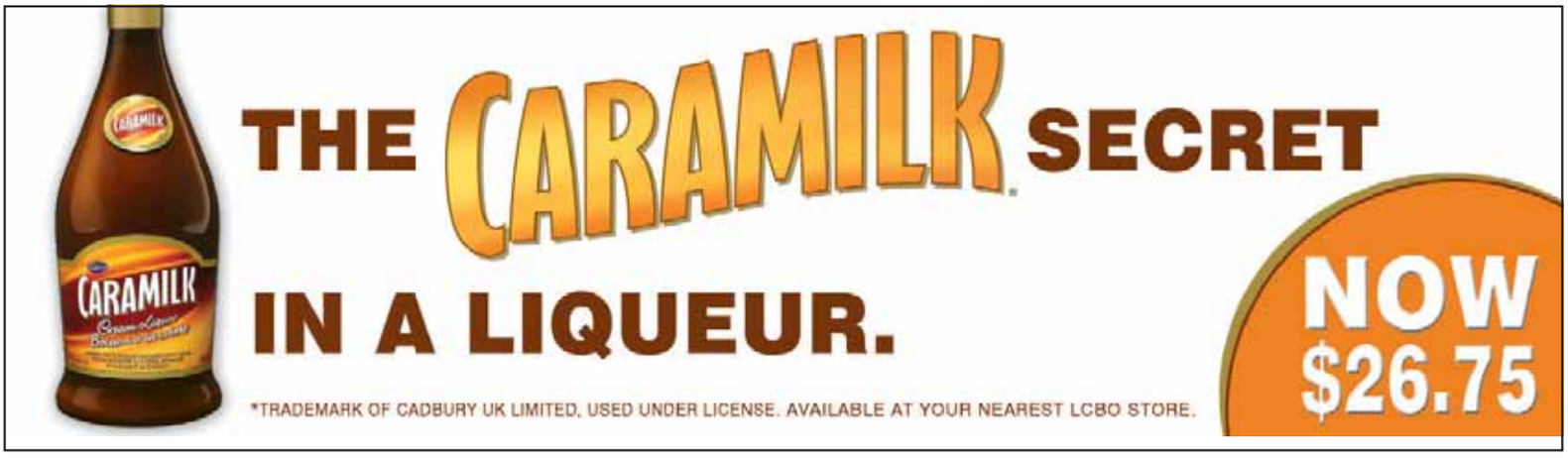
Gossip Girl star Blake Lively, who hit the convention to promote Green Lantern, in which she stars opposite Ryan Reynolds, was a bit preoccupied with a new career milestone: "Did you guys see the Barbie?" she asked, pointing to a doll version of her Green Lantern character.

"It's so crazy. I feel like I need to go home and buy a Barbie's magical dream house and play with myself — that doesn't sound right."

BLAKE LIVELY, CO-STAR IN GREEN LANTERN

For Jon Favreau, the smaller event made him a little nostalgic. It reminded him of his first Comic-Con: "It was close to 10 years ago, if not 10," he says. Favreau was in San Francisco to debut footage of his next film, Cowboys and Aliens, starring Harrison Ford and Daniel Craig, out this summer. The enthusiastic crowd responded excitedly to Favreau's presentation, which included a brief glimpse of the film's alien invaders.

Another director riding high during the convention was Tarsem Singh, who unveiled footage from November's Immortals, starring Henry Cavill — recently cast as the next Superman — as a mortal fighting on behalf of Greek gods. But the witty Singh stole the show, donning a homemade "I've been media trained" T-shirt. "The studio's whole thing was, 'We wish you had picked better-known names,'" Singh remembers from when he cast Cavill in his film. "When (Superman) happened, they were like, 'Oh! You picked the right piggy.'"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Silver fox learned to love surfing on set

Poor Dennis Quaid: the Hollywood old-timer had to film his latest movie on the beach But it was worth it for the true tale Soul Surfer

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There are worse jobs to have than learning how to surf in Hawaii for a role in a movie, and Dennis Quaid isn't complaining.

In Soul Surfer, Quaid plays the father of Bethany Hamilton, a teenager who lost an arm in a shark attack but went on to become a professional surfer.

Quaid sat down with Metro to talk surfing, working in Hawaii and having the person your playing standing just off-screen.

Had you heard of Bethany's story before getting the script?

I saw Bethany on the Today show on her book tour about two Christmases ago. There was something about her that just struck me, how inspirational and special she was, at the same time being so normal. I just welled up hearing her story. Then they called me five days later and my agent said, "Do you know who Bethany Hamilton is? They want you to play her dad." So that was a pretty easy yes.

What was your reaction to her story?

It was inspiring, is really what it was. And Bethany just took this horrific shark attack that happened to her and just made it a bump in the road of her life.

Had you done much surfing before the movie?

None at all. And it's really hard to learn. I had really great teachers and the benefit of time. Once you actually catch a wave and ride it, it's such a great feeling. I gave up golf for surfing for a while, which is a big thing for me. It was like two months that I had for training, all in Hawaii, where the water's warm. Now I surf back here and I have a wetsuit that has a heating coil in it. Those winter months ... the water's, like, 87 degrees out there and 50-something degrees here. Big diff.

How much time did you spend with the Hamiltons?

They were on the set every day. The boys, Tim and Noah, were actually working on the crew, and Bethany was doing surfing in the film. Tom and I would play golf and surf. It was great for me, especially with Tom. I've played a lot of real people before, but it's nice to have somebody there. It makes my job easier, actually.

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▶ Dennis Quaid plays the father of legendary pro surfer Bethany Hamilton in Soul Surfer, which opens Friday.

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TRON's tech magic wows again

TRON: Legacy
Genre: Scifi
Director: Joseph Kosinski
Stars: Jeff Bridges, Bruce Boxleitner

▶ Jeff Bridges reboots his role as Flynn, both old and young, in Tron: Legacy.

As dumb as the tech-heavy script was, and as primitive as the graphics were (today they look like an animated black light painting), the original was undeniably savvy about the future.

The long-tinkered sequel TRON: Legacy is similarly on the threshold of a new world. Appealing both to nostalgists and futurists, it modestly expands the original story and reunites two key cast members (Jeff Bridges and Bruce Boxleitner) while anticipating a near future of film where the aging of actors no longer matters.

In this latter regard, Bridges plays Flynn both old and young: as a God-like ancient, ruler of TRON's Grid game world; and as Clu, Flynn's viral and villainous digital alter-ego. Clu, a major reboot from the TRON original, is made from Photoshopping the recreated face of a 30-something Bridges onto the body of a younger actor.

The effect is simultaneously creepy and awe-inspiring and the same can be said of the look of the picture. Add in Avatar-level 3-D and a soundtrack by French techno-ravers Daft Punk, and you have an experience that could blow the minds (and ears) of aging fanboys and nouveau hipsters alike.

Sadly, there is the story to contend with, and it's another reason why TRON: Legacy is almost there, but not quite. The script is framed as a ho-hum rescue mission, in which Flynn's 27-year-old son Sam (Garrett Hedlund) zaps himself to the Grid.

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Charlie Sheen's show not winning over fans

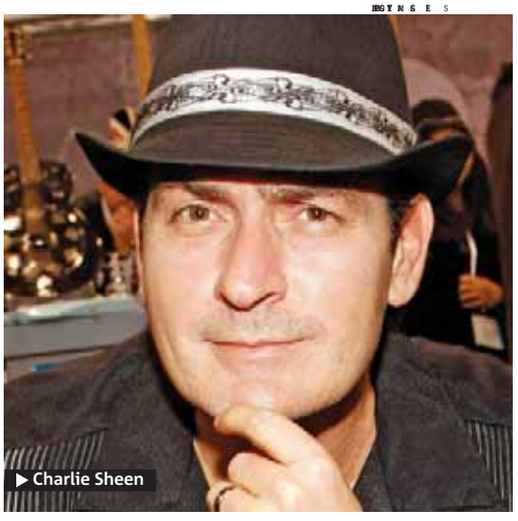
Torontonians try to unload tickets • Boos in Detroit, but ovations in Chicago • Format change better received

After a disastrous first night in Detroit for his Violent Torpedo of Truth Tour, Charlie Sheen says he stayed up until 4:30 a.m. reworking the show for its second night in Chicago, where he was greeted with a standing ovation instead of boos, according to E! Online. "Got to go with what got you to the dance and give the people what they want," Sheen says.

"On the bus someone said, 'You know, we could just keep driving to LA.' I said, 'F--- that. That's what losers do. I won.'"

Scrapping the video segments and opening acts from the first night, the Chicago show reportedly consisted of Sheen sitting in a chair, smoking and being interviewed by the tour's co-producer.

In Toronto, Canadians hoping to make a profit off Sheen's upcoming tour dates have, thus far, not been winning. The volatile star will perform in Toronto on April 14 and 15 and in Vancouver on May 2.


Charlie Sheen

But Craigslist and Stubhub are already crowded with vendors looking to sell tickets at cost or below, and many of the hopeful sellers are reporting tepid interest — at best.

"It's been a pretty tough go," said 27-year-old Richmond Hill, Ont., resident Jordan Resnick, who has two pairs he's trying to move at face value on Craigslist.

"(I've received) pretty much no messages. I'm hoping to get rid of them at cost so I don't have a loss, but there might be a loss there even."

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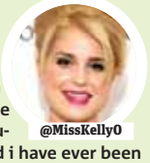
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"although i am on the most beautiful island i have ever been on and i am having the time of my life i really really miss my dogs!"

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"The age your child is when I meet him/her is the age that child will remain to me. So don't be mad when i bring a rattle to HS graduation."

@LouisVanAmstel

"You'd think grocery on sunday night would be quiet n fast!? Forget it, its so busy. Why sunday? Go home..I hate lines....lol"

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More pain, more gain

Bursts of exercise are the best way to a healthy body, says star of Thintervention Jackie Warner gives you tips to get that buff body

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Bursts of exercise are best for burning belly blubber.

If you want to fast-track towards a buff body, you're better off doing shorter, higher-intensity exercises than slow, steady-state exercise, according to many studies.

"It's not how long it's how hard," says Jackie Warner, a personal trainer in Hollywood and star of Bravo's new show Thintervention. "Even if you wanted to do 15 minutes a day, do that to muscle failure."

Warner's prescription for a bikini body: Work out five days a week. Here's a taste of what she suggests: Walk fast (up a hill, preferably) for two minutes, then run fast for two minutes and then walk slowly for a minute. Repeat this five-minute cycle three more times to equal 20 total minutes. Then, lift some weights that use two or three muscle groups. Do six exercise sets with very little rest in between.

"You will definitely get results with this intense style of training," Warner told Metro.

More and more evidence shows this is true. Scientists in Australia recently published results of a review of worldwide studies on high-intensity intermittent exercise (HIIE). HIIE was found to increase fitness, lower insulin resistance, build muscle and burn belly fat more effectively than low-intensity steady-state exercise.

"High-intensity bursts of exercise put stress on your heart to increase oxygenation to the muscle," says Warner. "Building muscle is the quickest way to a healthy body. It is the only thing that speeds up metabolism so a person can burn calories while resting."

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▶ Flat abs are easier than you think.

HANDOUT

▶ Jackie Warner, star of the new Bravo show Thintervention, gives Metro her tips on how to get that summer physique.

3 life

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Two international research groups have identified a total of five new genes related to late-onset Alzheimer's disease and opened up new areas of research into what causes the progressive brain-destroying condition.

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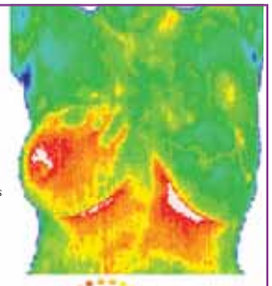

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The softer side of martial arts

T'ai Chi Chih is the non-violent cousin to the martial art of Tai Chi ◗ Practitioner Kim Grant tells us how it can be done by anyone who seeks longevity, serenity and balance

▶ The moves restore balance and combat depression.

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The first thing Kim Grant wishes to establish is that T'ai chi Chih is not a martial art, but instead a practice developed as a more accessible and calmer side kick to T'ai Chi, whose 108 moves are difficult for many to remember.

"In a nut shell, the difference between the two is like looking at T'ai Chi as war and T'ai Chi Chih as peace, where one is very a combat sport the other is softness at its core."

In essence, T'ai Chi Chih stands for knowledge of the supreme ultimate.

The aim is for you to be able to activate, circulate and balance the "chi" also known as your vital force, intrinsic energy and intuition.

Grant explains how most people suffer from a chi that is out of balance and not circulating efficiently around the body.

The very simple sets of 19 moves, and the way they are carried out — whereby the body weight is slowly shifted in controlled direction — help drive the circulation of the chi around the entire body.

Most moves are done nine times on the left side of the followed by the right to get the correct balance and the act of repetition solidifies them in your body.

"The 19 moves are performed one after the other for 40 minutes, with a resting pose in between each one in order for all the energy to come back together as when we move, the energy separates," explains Grant. "A simple but deceptively powerful set of moves."

Grant says that the great thing about T'ai Chi Chih is that you don't have to understand it mentally to get it.

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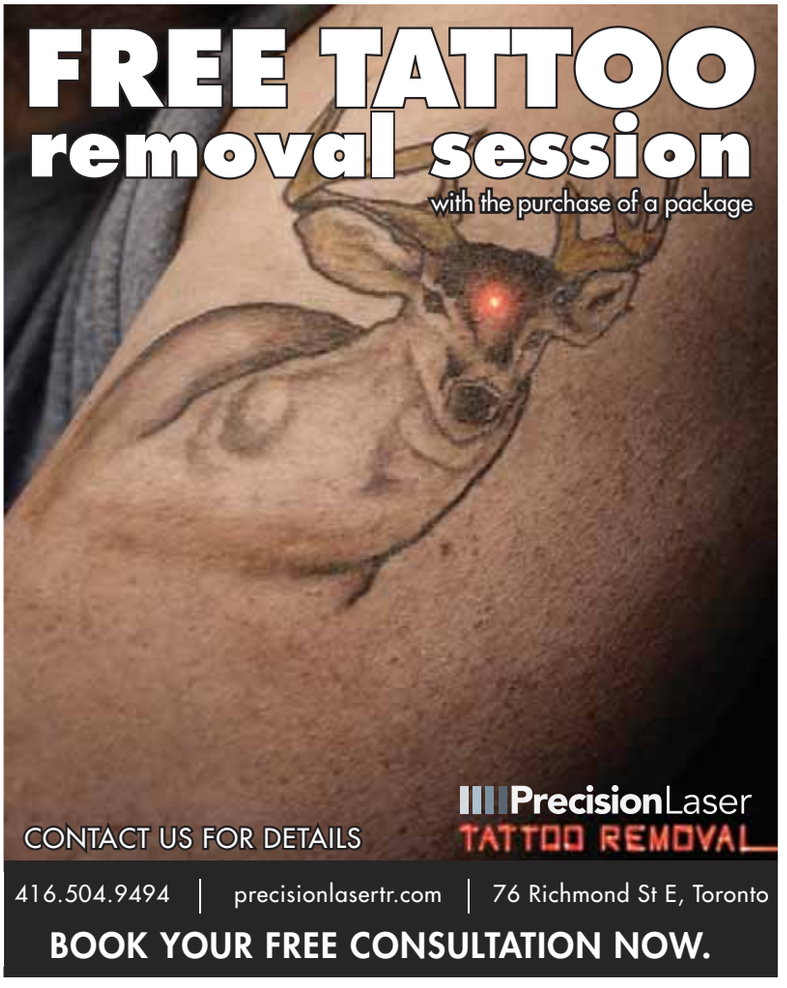
"Put away all your thoughts about that it's supposed to be and just let your moves be all about flow, grace and slowness. The mix of mediation and movement that focuses on balance and the circulation of energy brings spiritual, physical and psychological benefits."

Dr. Helen Lavretsky, professor of psychiatry at U.C.L.A found that adding weekly T'ai Chi classes to the standard treatment of depression improved mood, anxiety, resilience, physical functioning, but also cognitive performance and inflammation. "All of these areas are very important in daily functioning of older adults with depression who may not respond well to the antidepressant drugs alone."



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▶ Quicker prostate results are helping to lower anxiety in patients.

Cutting wait times

Rapid results clinic provides faster prostate reports

Waiting the typical two to three weeks for the results of a prostate cancer biopsy can be agonizing for men and their families, but at least one Canadian hospital is trying to change that.

Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre in Toronto has instituted a rapid results clinic that cuts the wait time for diagnosis for most patients to three days following a prostate biopsy.

It's not that the hospital has changed the way biopsy samples are scrutinized for tumours — over the last three months, it has merely speeded up the process through more efficient use of its pathology department, which includes three pathologists who specialize in the finicky assessment of prostate tissue.

"So you get your answer within 72 hours, and not only that but to be able to be seen by a cancer specialist if you're diagnosed with cancer right away, right after the diagnosis, is I think a very efficient and unique process," said Dr. Robert Nam, a urologic oncologist at Sunnybrook.

Speeding up testing has not altered the accuracy of prostate biopsy results, nor has it affected other pathology tests, he explained.

"With the rapid biopsy clinic, it really improves patients' lives in terms of their level of anxiety," said Nam, recalling that when patients in the past were told they didn't have cancer after waiting two to three weeks, "the relief on their face was unbelievable."

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▶ The Turkey Burger is served with an avocado-tomato relish.

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Over Leah's shoulder, I thought I noticed a pretty girl making eyes at me. I didn't have my contacts in so I asked Leah to see if she really was all that.

We tried to time it so as to not get caught but, of course, we failed.

The instant Leah turned around, the girl looked up and locked eyes with her — busted!

After a lengthy discussion, Leah and I agreed on my plan of attack. I went up to the girl's table and was about to open my mouth when six people walked in front of me. I stood there waiting, trying not to look like a weirdo, then dropped my business card in front of her and said, "Call me."

Leah and I had a laugh about my pick up attempt in the parking lot, but to my surprise, I got a text shortly thereafter with the mystery girl's name, Tracy.

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Who's going to pay the bills? Legally, the person whose name is on a bill is responsible for paying it. If the bills don't get paid, lenders will harass you at home and work, and eventually report you to credit bureaus. List the bills in the name of the person who will ensure they get paid in full and on time. If you're name isn't on a bill, you don't build credit (even if you're a co-applicant on a credit card).

Who's responsible for old debts? Legally, you're not responsible for debt assumed by your partner prior to your union. But, once you're married or common-law, you're on the hook for debt accrued during the relationship.

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ON MONEY

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Helping or supporting an elderly parent is an increasing fact of life, and can be a financial burden. Here are three tax saving tips from H & R Block to help. First off, you need to make sure your parents' taxes are filed even if nothing is payable. This is particularly important if the parent or parents are receiving the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS). Like other government programs it depends on an up-to-date tax return.

Caregiver credit

If you are providing support you may be able to claim this amount. Your parent or parents must be 65 or over, have an income of $18,645 or less and be living with you. You can also claim parents under the age of 65 if they are dependent on you because of an infirmity or disability. Unfortunately, no matter how much support you provide, they have to be living with you in order to claim the caregiver credit. There is a federal amount of $4,223 for each dependent which will cut your taxes by $635. There are also provincial caregiver amounts that will add to your savings.

Disability Tax Credit

I have written about this in the past, encouraging adult children to apply for the DTC if a parent qualifies for it. Many don't realize that if the parent's income is low, the DTC can be transferred.

However, in order to do this you need to establish that your parent depends on you for some or all of the basic necessities of life. This can be a huge benefit to the struggling sandwich generation.

Nursing home expenses

If you pay for your parents' nursing home fees, you may be able to claim them as a medical expense. But you will have to make a choice between these expenses and the disability tax credit, because you can't have both.

▶ Taking care of parents and their taxes can yield savings for you.

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Lets talk about health

Medically-minded Twitterers are spreading important info via the web

Keeping up to date on the barrage of medical information available online can be daunting, and health-care professionals are now turning to social media to figure out how to make it easier.

Every Wednesday, as many as 70 health-minded Twitterers meet online to debate — in 140 characters or fewer — the best ways to use the web to get accurate information to those who want it, without overwhelming them with an unmanageable number of tweets or viral videos.

"There are a lot of people and organizations struggling with how to do that on social media, in health care in particular," said Colleen Young, who started the Healthcare Social Media Canada (#hcsmca) group last September.

Getting health-care professionals and the public talking will help organizations understand what kind of online content users find most valuable, explained Young, a freelance medical writer for cancer organizations and patients.

"There are very definite ways that they want to get public health messages."

Young said that patients are more interested in a two-way conversation with health providers. Rather than being bombarded by only links to a new anti-smoking campaign or research on healthy eating, users want to share their own news or opinions with health-care groups and hear back if they find it interesting.

"The organizations have to make a wholesale change of attitude and that is that they're not just pumping out information."

Canadian hospitals are increasingly interested in looking into expanding their social media use beyond one-way education, said Ann Fuller, who is the director of communications at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

"As hospitals in Canada we have to sometimes do more and more with less and less. Is there a way for social media to fill that gap?"

Fuller said group conversations like #hcsmca can help hospitals who are investigating how online resources could supplement clinical visits or long-term care management for conditions like asthma.

"So that people can stay connected," she explained, "and by staying connected their clinical outcomes could improve."

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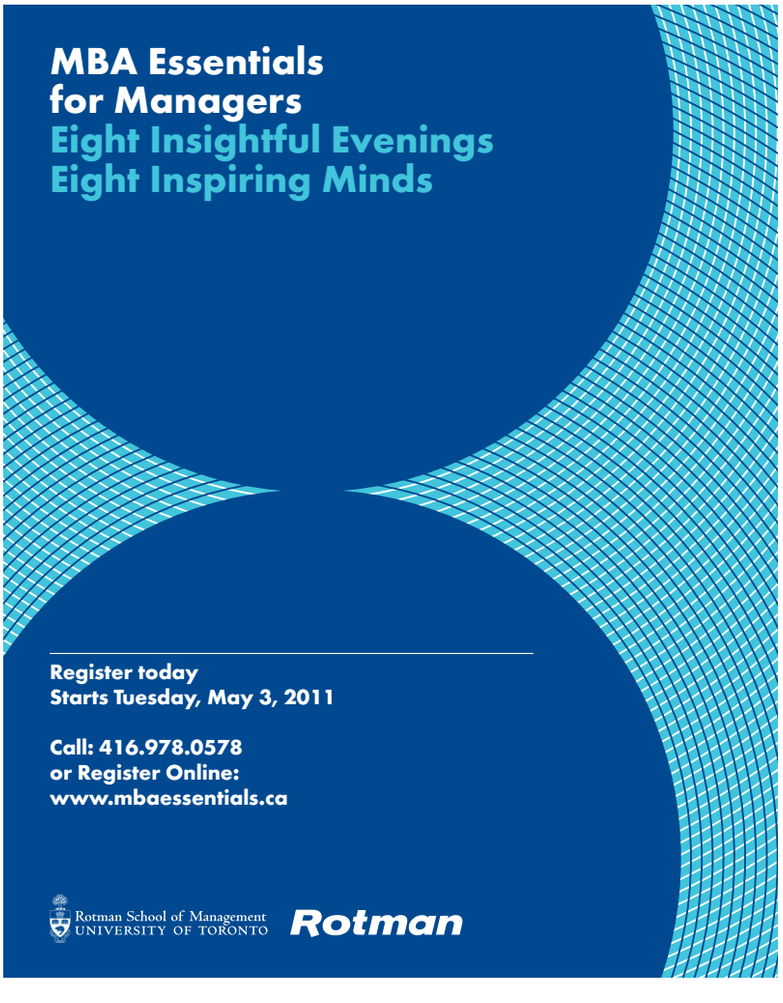
▶ Colleen Young says #hmsca Twitter followers discuss topics such as how to use doscial media to get health conversations started in rural areas



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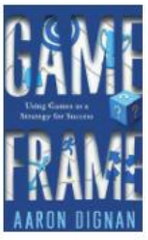
Most would agree, if we were more stimulated and challenged by our work, our contentment and job satisfaction would be in a warm fuzzy place.

Aaron Dignan, author of Game Frame, suggests that the medium of "gaming" is designed to address these issues systemically alluding to the infamous line by Mary Poppins; "You see, in every job that must be done, there is an element of fun. You find the fun, and snap! The job's a game."

Dignan points out the two distinct symptoms of this boredom. A Lack of Volition or "the will to do something: the motivational and internal drive to see it through" and Lack of Faculty which is 'the belief that we have the skills and tools to handle the challenges we're facing."



The typical approach managers take to dealing with these two issues is by providing an incentive or reward... and if that is not successful plan B is to threaten said employee. Neither approach has long term success.

The good news is that we are learning machines and thrive most when we experience that feeling of learning something new in fact our brain even rewards us with a hit of opioids "natures pleasure drug" which is what creates that 'feeling'. Dignan's insights into the power of play and gamification of work provide compelling insight into not just why we need to change our systems from the inside out... but how. This is a book for the frustrated manager and avid gamer.

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Bill 163, An Act to amend Christopher's Law (Sex Offender Registry), 2000

Projet de loi 163, Loi modifiant la Loi Christopher de 2000 sur le registre des délinquants sexuels

The Standing Committee on Justice Policy will meet to consider **Bill 163, An Act to amend Christopher's Law (Sex Offender Registry), 2000.**

The Committee intends to hold public hearings in Toronto on Thursday, April 14, 2011.

Interested people who wish to be considered to make an oral presentation on **Bill 163** should contact the Committee Clerk **by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 8, 2011.**

Those who do not wish to make an oral presentation but wish to comment on the Bill may send written submissions to the Committee Clerk at the address below **by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2011.**

An electronic version of the Bill is available on the Legislative Assembly website at: **www.ontla.on.ca.**

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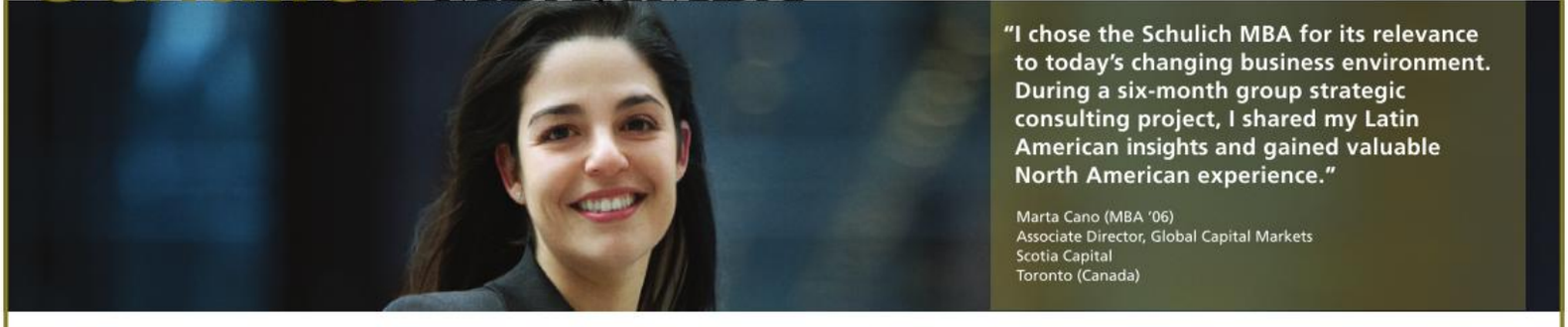

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4 sports

Raptors preview

Raptors at Knicks
7:30 p.m.
TV: TSN 2
Radio: Fan 590

New York (38-38) is headed to the post-season for the first time since 2004 and currently holds the seventh spot in the Eastern Conference. The Knicks will look to use the Raptors for better positioning, as the team is 1½ games behind Philadelphia, and it could catch the 76ers as soon as tomorrow when the teams go head to head.

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▶ New York's Vaclav Prospal scores his second goal of the game against the Bruins last night. The win means the Leafs can't overtake New York in the playoff race, and instead must catch Buffalo.

What's the scenario?

The Leafs are six points behind the eighth-place Sabres for the final playoff spot in the East Here's what they need to do to overtake them

The Leafs need to ...

... defeat the Capitals (tonight), Devils (tomorrow) and Canadiens (Saturday).

While the Sabres ...

... end up tied with the Leafs by losing to the Lightning (tonight), Flyers (Friday) and Blue Jackets (Saturday), without going to overtime.

First tiebreaker

The first tiebreaker is ROW (greater number of games won, excluding those won in a shootout). So long as the Leafs don't get one of their wins in a shootout, they would still be tied.

Second tiebreaker

Head-to-head record: Toronto went 3-2-1 against Buffalo this season for seven points, picking up a point in a shootout loss, while Buffalo had a 3-3-0 record against Toronto for six points. In the head-to-head tiebreaker, the Leafs would make the playoffs.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Rangers rally for win

Brandon Dubinsky and Michael Sauer scored 51 seconds apart late in the third period, and the New York Rangers turned a likely crippling defeat into their most stirring victory of the season by rallying to beat the defensive-minded Boston Bruins 5-3 last night.

The Rangers, who trailed 3-0 in the second period, seemed beaten by the Northeast Division-champion Bruins when the game suddenly turned without warning.

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▶ **Time:** 7 p.m.
TV: Sportsnet
Radio: AM 640

Capitals

Washington (46-22-11) comes in on quite a roll. The Capitals are 16-3-1 in their last 20 games. Washington defeated Buffalo 5-4 in overtime Saturday, with Alex Ovechkin scoring the winner.

Maple Leafs

An inspiring late-season playoff run could end here for Toronto (37-32-10). A loss to Washington would officially eliminate the Maple Leafs from post-season contention. But Toronto has made it interesting of late, having won six of its last seven games heading into this contest.

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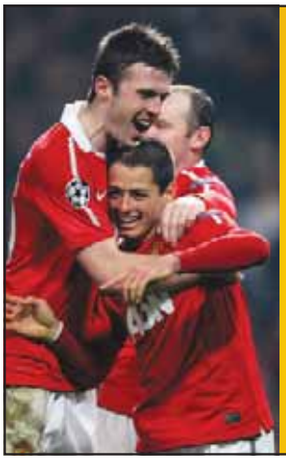

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
dx-Washington	79	46	22	5	6	216	192	103	24-8-2-6	22-14-3-0	7-2-0-1	W2
dx-Philadelphia	79	46	22	4	7	247	210	103	21-12-2-5	25-10-2-2	3-3-0-4	L3
y-Boston	79	44	24	5	6	238	189	99	20-13-3-3	24-11-2-3	5-3-1-1	L1
x-Pittsburgh	79	46	25	5	3	225	192	100	24-14-2-0	22-11-3-3	7-3-0-0	W1
x-Tampa Bay	79	44	24	5	6	235	232	99	24-11-1-4	20-13-4-2	6-2-1-1	W5
Montreal	79	42	30	4	3	208	204	91	23-11-3-3	19-19-1-0	4-6-0-0	W1
NY Rangers	80	43	32	2	3	228	193	91	19-16-1-3	24-16-1-0	7-2-0-1	W2
Buffalo	79	40	29	9	1	232	220	90	19-16-3-1	21-13-6-0	6-2-2-0	W1
Carolina	79	38	30	6	5	225	232	87	21-13-3-2	17-17-3-3	7-2-1-0	L1
Toronto	79	37	32	5	5	213	240	84	18-14-3-4	19-18-2-1	7-3-0-0	W3
Atlanta	78	33	33	5	7	214	252	78	17-15-2-5	16-18-3-2	5-5-0-0	L1
New Jersey	78	36	37	3	2	163	196	77	20-16-2-1	16-21-0-2	4-5-0-1	L1
NY Islanders	79	30	37	7	5	220	250	72	17-18-1-4	13-19-6-1	3-5-2-0	L1
Ottawa	79	30	39	5	5	183	243	70	14-20-2-3	16-19-3-2	5-4-0-1	L1
Florida	79	29	38	5	7	190	220	70	15-17-4-4	14-21-2-2	1-6-0-3	L8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
p-Vancouver	79	52	18	4	5	254	181	113	26-9-1-4	26-9-3-1	8-2-0-0	L1
y-Detroit	79	46	23	6	4	255	231	102	21-13-4-2	25-10-2-2	5-3-2-0	W2
dx-San Jose	78	46	23	4	5	234	201	101	23-11-2-3	23-12-2-2	7-1-0-2	W3
Los Angeles	78	45	27	4	2	213	185	96	24-12-3-0	21-15-1-2	7-2-1-0	W1
Phoenix	79	42	25	7	5	224	217	96	20-13-4-3	22-12-3-2	7-2-0-1	L1
Nashville	79	42	26	7	4	209	188	95	22-9-5-3	20-17-2-1	7-2-1-0	L1
Anaheim	79	44	30	3	2	228	231	93	24-13-1-1	20-17-2-1	7-3-0-0	L2
Chicago	78	42	28	3	5	246	214	92	23-16-0-0	19-12-4-4	5-4-1-0	L1
Calgary	80	40	29	4	7	242	233	91	22-13-1-3	18-16-3-4	4-4-1-1	W2
Dallas	78	39	28	4	7	214	224	89	20-11-3-5	19-17-1-2	2-5-2-1	W1
Minnesota	79	37	34	3	5	198	224	82	18-17-2-3	19-17-1-2	2-7-1-0	L2
St. Louis	79	36	33	4	6	232	229	82	21-13-1-4	15-20-3-2	5-4-0-1	W1
Columbus	79	34	32	5	8	210	246	81	17-18-1-4	17-14-4-4	2-5-2-1	L3
Colorado	78	29	41	7	1	218	275	66	15-20-4-0	14-21-3-1	3-7-0-0	L1
Edmonton	78	24	43	2	9	186	256	59	12-21-1-5	12-22-2-3	1-6-1-2	W1

x — clinched playoff berth; y — clinched division title; d — division leaders; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL or SOL columns.

Last night's results
N.Y. Rangers 5 Boston 3
Los Angeles at San Jose
Sunday's results
Calgary 2 Colorado 1
Buffalo 2 Carolina 1 (OT)
Dallas 4 Anaheim 3
Detroit 4 Minnesota 2
St. Louis 6 Columbus 1
N.Y. Rangers 3 Philadelphia 2 (SO)
Tampa Bay 2 Chicago 0
Tonight's games
Tampa Bay at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Washington at Toronto, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Columbus at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
N.Y. Islanders at Boston, 7 p.m.
Toronto at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Florida at Washington, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Carolina, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
San Jose at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

RANGERS 5, BRUINS 3

First Period
1. Boston, Paille 5 (Boychuk, Ryder) 15:16
2. Boston, Horton 25 (Krejci, Lucic) 16:53
Penalties — Staal NYR (slashing) 5:55, Bergeron Bos (tripping) 10:15.
Second Period
3. Boston, Kelly 13 (Kaberle, Seidenberg) 10:32
4. N.Y. Rangers, Prospal 7 (Wolski, Staal) 11:34
5. N.Y. Rangers, Prospal 8 (Wolski, Stepan) 18:26
Penalties — Krejci Bos (hooking) 5:02, Krejci Bos (slashing) 12:28.
Third Period
6. N.Y. Rangers, Dubinsky 24 (Callahan, Anisimov) 16:12
7. N.Y. Rangers, Sauer 3 (Gaborik, Boyle) 17:03
8. N.Y. Rangers, Stepan 21 (Fedotenko, Sauer) 19:07 (en)
Penalty — Seidenberg Bos (tripping) 0:53.
Shots

Boston	19	4	7	—30
N.Y. Rangers	5	9	12	—26

Goal — Boston: Thomas (L,33-11-9); N.Y. Rangers: Lundqvist (W,35-26-5).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Boston: 0-1; N.Y. Rangers: 0-4.
Referees — Stephen Walkom, Dennis LaRue.
Linesmen — Thor Nelson, Mark Wheler.
Att. — 18,200 (18,200) at New York.

SUNDAY

FLAMES 2, AVALANCHE 1

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalty — Bouwmeester Cal (holding) 4:16.
Second Period
1. Calgary, Jokinen 17 (Tanguay, Bouwmeester) 10:23
Penalties — Backlund Cal (slashing) 2:13, Bouwmeester Cal (holding) 7:43, Duchene Col (slashing) 14:51.
Third Period
2. Calgary, Tanguay 21 (Iginla) 8:13
3. Colorado, Hejduk 21 (Liles, Olver) 15:00
Penalties — None.
Shots

Calgary	11	12	13	36
Colorado	10	18	7	35

Goal — Calgary: Kiprusoff (W,36-24-6); Colorado: Budaj (L,14-19-4).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Calgary: 0-1; Colorado: 0-3.
Referees — Brad Watson, Dan O'Halloran.
Linesmen — Jonny Murray, Pierre Racicot.
Att. — 13,896 (18,007) at Calgary.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
D.Sedin, Vcr	41	59	100
St. Louis, TB	30	64	94
Perry, Ana	47	46	93
H.Sedin, Vcr	19	73	92
Stamkos, TB	44	45	89
Iginla, Cal	39	42	81
Ovechkin, Wash	30	51	81
Zetterberg, Det	24	56	80
Selanne, Ana	28	48	76
Toews, Chi	31	44	75
C.Giroux, Pha	25	49	74
Kopitar, LA	25	48	73
E.Staal, Car	32	39	72
B.Richards, Dal	26	45	71
Getzlaf, Ana	19	52	71
Kesler, Vcr	37	32	69
Marleau, SJ	37	32	69
P.Kane, Chi	26	43	69
Ryan, Ana	34	34	68

Not including last night's games

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Country (skip)	W	L
Scotland (Brewster)	5	0
Canada (Stoughton)	**4**	**0**
France (Dufour)	3	1
Sweden (Edin)	3	2
Czech Rep. (J.Snitil)	2	2
Switzerland (Schwaller)	2	2
Norway (Ulsrud)	2	2
China (Chen)	2	3
Germany (Kapp)	2	3
U.S. (Fenson)	1	3
Denmark (T.Stjerne)	0	4
South Korea (DK.Lee)	0	4

ROUND ROBIN
Yesterday's results
Sixth Draw
Canada 7 South Korea 4
France 8 Denmark 5
Scotland 8 Germany 5
Sweden 9 China 1
Seventh Draw
Germany 5 U.S. 4
Norway 8 Sweden 5
Scotland 5 Czech Republic 4 (extra end)
Switzerland 7 China 1
Eighth Draw
U.S. vs. Canada; South Korea vs. Czech Republic; Switzerland vs. Denmark; France vs. Norway.
Sunday Results
Third Draw
Czech Republic 7 Norway 5 (extra end)
Switzerland 6 U.S. 4
Fourth Draw
Canada 7 Germany 4
China 7 Denmark 6
Scotland 9 South Korea 6
Sweden 7 France 6
Fifth Draw
Czech Republic 8 China 5
Germany 9 Norway 8
Scotland 10 Switzerland 6
Sweden 11 U.S. 2
Today's games
Ninth Draw, 10:30 a.m.
China vs. Scotland; Switzerland vs. Norway; Sweden vs. Germany; U.S. vs. Czech Republic.
Draw 10, 3:30 p.m.
Switzerland vs. Czech Republic; France vs. **Canada;** Norway vs. U.S.; Denmark vs. South Korea.
Draw 11, 9:30 p.m.
Germany vs. South Korea; Sweden vs. Denmark; France vs. China; **Canada** vs. Scotland.

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	4	0	1.000	—
New York	3	1	.750	1
Toronto	2	1	.667	1½
Boston	0	3	.000	3½
Tampa Bay	0	3	.000	3½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	3	1	.750	—
Chicago	2	1	.667	½
Cleveland	1	2	.333	1½
Detroit	1	3	.250	2
Minnesota	1	3	.250	2

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	3	0	1.000	—
Seattle	2	1	.667	1
Oakland	1	2	.333	2
Los Angeles	1	3	.250	2½

Yesterday's results
Baltimore 5 Detroit 1
N.Y. Yankees 4 Minnesota 3
Seattle at Texas
Sunday Results
Minnesota 4 Toronto 3
Baltimore 5 Tampa Bay 1
Cleveland 7 Chicago White Sox 1
Detroit 10 N.Y. Yankees 7
Kansas City 12 L.A. Angels 9 (13 ings)
Oakland 7 Seattle 1
Texas 5 Boston 1
Today's games
L.A. Angels (Weaver 1-0) at Tampa Bay (Niemann 0-0), 6:40 p.m.
Boston (Beckett 0-0) at Cleveland (Tomlin 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Duensing 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Braden 0-0) at Toronto (J.Reyes 0-0), 7:07 p.m.
Seattle (Pineda 0-0) at Texas (Ogando 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Floyd 0-0) at Kansas City (Hochevar 0-1), 8:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	3	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	3	1	.750	½
New York	2	1	.667	1
Florida	1	2	.333	2
Washington	1	2	.333	2

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	3	0	1.000	—
Pittsburgh	2	1	.667	1
Chicago	2	2	.500	1½
St. Louis	1	2	.333	2
Houston	0	3	.000	3
Milwaukee	0	4	.000	3½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	3	1	.750	—
San Diego	2	1	.667	½
Colorado	1	1	.500	1
Arizona	1	2	.333	1½
San Francisco	1	3	.250	2

Yesterday's results
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L.A. Dodgers 7 San Francisco 5
N.Y. Mets 9 Florida 2
Philadelphia 7 Houston 3
Pittsburgh 5 Chicago Cubs 4
St. Louis 2 San Diego 0
Arizona at Colorado (ppd., rain)
Tuesday Games
Arizona (Enright 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Cashner 0-0), 2:20 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 0-0) at San Diego (Harang 0-0), 6:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (C.Young 0-0) at Philadelphia (Hamels 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Happ 0-0) at Cincinnati (Leake 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (Marquis 0-0) at Florida (A.Sanchez 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
Atlanta (D.Lowe 1-0) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 0-0), 8:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (J.McDonald 0-0) at St. Louis (McClellan 0-0), 8:15 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 1-0) at Colorado (Chacin 0-0), 8:40 p.m.

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EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
x-Toronto	14	10	4	.714	165	139	—
x-Buffalo	12	8	4	.667	131	112	1
x-Rochester	12	7	5	.583	125	125	2
Boston	14	6	8	.429	141	139	4
Philadelphia	13	5	8	.385	121	149	4½

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
y-Calgary	14	10	4	.714	177	157	—
x-Washington	14	7	7	.500	177	165	3
x-Minnesota	13	6	7	.462	149	147	3½
Edmonton	14	4	10	.286	151	177	6
Colorado	12	3	9	.250	106	133	6

x — clinched playoff berth; y — clinched division.
WEEK 14
Friday's games
Buffalo at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Rochester, 7:35 p.m.
Colorado at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Rochester at Philadelphia, 2:30 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Philadelphia	3	2	1	0	2	1	6
New England	3	1	0	2	4	3	5
New York	3	1	0	2	2	1	5
Chicago	2	1	0	1	4	3	4
Kansas City	3	1	1	1	8	8	4
Toronto	3	1	1	1	5	5	4
Columbus	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
D.C. United	3	1	2	0	5	7	3
Houston	3	0	1	2	2	3	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Colorado	3	3	0	0	8	2	9
Los Angeles	4	2	1	1	4	5	7
Real Salt Lake	2	2	0	0	5	1	6
Vancouver	3	1	1	1	7	6	4
San Jose	3	1	1	1	4	3	4
Seattle	4	0	2	2	3	5	2
Chivas USA	3	0	2	1	3	5	1
Portland	3	0	2	1	2	6	1
Dallas	3	0	2	1	1	5	1

Note: Three points for win, one point for tie.
Sunday's result
Colorado 4 D.C. United 1
Tomorrow's game
New England at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

ENGLAND

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

Yesterday's result
Queens Park Rangers 3 Sheffield United 0

SPAIN

LA LIGA

Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Barcelona	30	26	3	1	82	15	81
Real Madrid	30	23	4	3	69	22	73
Valencia	30	17	6	7	46	35	57
Villarreal	30	16	6	8	48	31	54
Athletic Bilbao	30	14	3	13	47	42	45
Sevilla	30	13	6	11	46	44	45
Espanyol	30	14	1	15	38	43	43
Atletico Madrid	30	12	6	12	45	41	42
Mallorca	30	11	5	14	31	40	38
Racing Santander	30	9	9	12	30	44	36
Osasuna	30	9	8	13	36	36	35
Levante	30	11	5	14	33	40	35
Sporting Gijon	30	8	11	11	28	35	35
Real Sociedad	30	11	2	17	40	51	35
Getafe	30	9	7	14	41	49	34
Deportivo La Coruna	30	8	10	12	25	40	34
Zaragoza	30	7	9	14	29	43	30
Hercules	30	8	5	17	28	48	29
Malaga	30	8	5	17	39	62	29
Almeria	30	5	11	14	31	51	26

Yesterday's result
Almeria 1 Athletic Bilbao 3

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	56	20	.737	—
y-Miami	54	23	.701	2½
y-Boston	53	23	.697	3
x-Orlando	48	29	.623	8½
x-Atlanta	44	33	.571	12½
x-Philadelphia	40	37	.519	16½
x-New York	38	38	.500	18
Indiana	35	43	.449	22
Charlotte	32	44	.421	24
Milwaukee	31	45	.408	25
Detroit	26	50	.342	30
New Jersey	23	53	.303	33
Toronto	21	55	.276	35
Washington	20	56	.263	36
Cleveland	15	61	.197	41

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Antonio	58	19	.753	—
y-L.A. Lakers	55	21	.724	2½
x-Dallas	53	24	.688	5
x-Oklahoma City	50	26	.658	7½
x-Denver	47	29	.618	10½
Portland	45	32	.584	13
New Orleans	44	33	.571	14
Memphis	44	33	.571	14
Houston	41	36	.532	17
Phoenix	37	39	.487	20½
Utah	36	41	.468	22
Golden State	33	44	.429	25
L.A. Clippers	30	47	.390	28
Sacramento	22	54	.289	35½
Minnesota	17	60	.221	41

d – division leader; **x** — clinched playoff berth; **y** — clinched division.

Sunday's results
San Antonio 114 Phoenix 97
Denver 95 L.A. Lakers 90
Sacramento 106 Utah 97
Boston 101 Detroit 90
Washington 97 Charlotte 91
Miami 108 New Jersey 94
New York 123 Cleveland 107
Toronto 102 Orlando 98
Houston 114 Atlanta 109
New Orleans 108 Indiana 96
Portland 104 Dallas 96
Tonight's games
San Antonio at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Washington, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Chicago, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Denver, 9 p.m.
Golden State at Portland, 10 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

TENNIS

WTA FAMILY CIRCLE CUP

At Charleston, S.C.
Top seeds and Canadians
Yesterday's results
Singles
First Round
Peng Shuai (11), China, def. Sloane Stephens, U.S., 6-2, 6-1.
Julie Goerges (12), Germany, def. Olga Govortsova, Belarus, 7-5, 6-4.
Chanelle Scheepers, South Africa, def. Patty Schnyder (13), Switzerland, 6-4, 6-4.
Bethanie Mattek-Sands (14), U.S., def. Alexandra Stevenson, U.S., 6-2, 6-1.
Vania King, U.S., def. Vera Dushevina (16), Russia, 6-4, 7-6 (7).
Also
Elena Vesnina, Russia, def. **Rebecca Marino, Vancouver, 6-7 (4), 6-2, 6-3.**

BASKETBALL

NCAA TOURNAMENT

FINAL FOUR

At Houston
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Last night's result
Connecticut (31-9) vs. Butler (28-9)

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A's off to slow start, but still have weapons

Oakland came out of spring training as a popular favourite among critics and experts to win the American League West Division.

That was based on the strength of one of the finest young rotations in the league, and a strong bullpen. The A's, though, did not get off on a solid footing in Seattle over the weekend, losing two of three.

ATHLETICS | BLUE JAYS

- **Time:** 7:07 p.m.
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- **Radio:** Fan 590

The club committed five errors Friday and two more over the next two games. The matchup with the Jays will showcase that young rotation against a Jays starting five that is also highly touted around the league.

Centre-fielder Coco Crisp is off to a tremendous start with the A's, and was a home run away from hitting for the cycle Friday in Seattle.

He is one of the reasons the A's felt they could let Rajai Davis go in a trade; Davis is now with the Jays and will face his old team for the first time since being traded in November.

Crisp appears destined for a strong season in 2011. He played only 75 games in 2010 (suffered a broken finger and a rib cage muscle injury), but still hit .279 with eight homers and 38 RBIs. He also swiped a career-high 32 bases.

The bullpen looked shaky in Seattle, but is fully expected to rebound and be a strong suit for the team. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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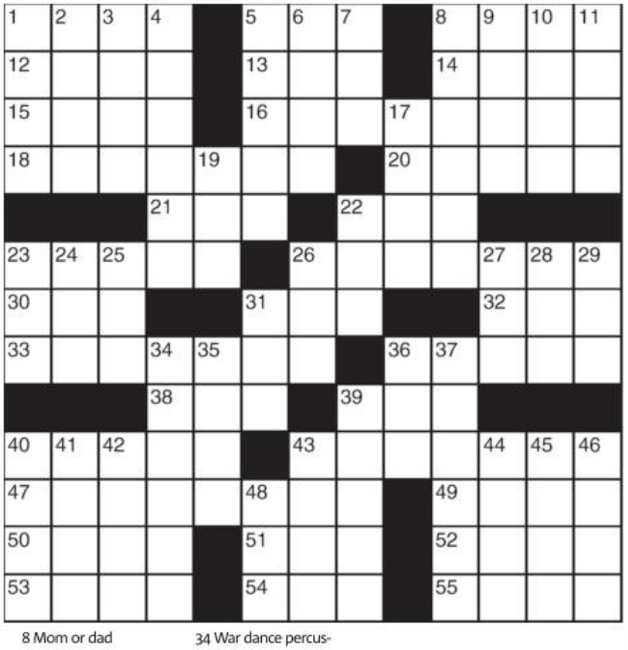

Across

1 Imp
5 Awful
8 Decline, with "on"
12 Old Italian money
13 Id counterpart
14 Sheltered
15 Addict
16 Limit
18 Alter the presentation
20 Tract of wasteland
21 Donkey
22 Card player's call
23 Reek
26 Turn over a new leaf
30 Charged bit
31 See 54-Across
32 Pair
33 Fix the locks?
36 Rash
38 U.K. reference bk.
39 Namely (Abbr.)
40 Plant swelling
43 Put back the way it was
47 Check
49 Always
50 Choral voice
51 Wildebeest
52 Supermarket stack
53 Thailand, once
54 With 31-Across, supplement
55 Coin aperture

Down

1 Astigmatism problem
2 React to yeast
3 War god
4 Plaid fabric
5 Ice mounds
6 Pulitzer winner James
7 Two, in Tijuana
8 Mom or dad
9 Others (Lat.)
10 Denomination
11 Brother of Cain and Abel
17 Anything but that
19 Request
22 Obtain
23 Round Table address
24 Pirouette pivot
25 The chosen
26 Regret
27 Billboards
28 Trench
29 "— Story 3"
31 Antiquated
34 War dance percussion
35 2001, e.g.
36 Owned by that guy
37 Montezuma's people
39 Where the action is
40 Historic periods
41 Sandwich shop
42 "Cómo — usted?"
43 Skaters' 39-Down
44 Elliptical
45 Nevada city
46 Formerly, formerly
48 Candle count

▶ Yesterday's answer

A	N	T	I		M	I	D		A	R	A	B
C	O	R	N		A	K	A		D	E	C	O
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Sudoku

3					9	8	5	
	8			7		1	4	
1			8					7
				4			6	1
		8				9		
9	6			3				
8					6			2
	9	3		2			1	
	2	5	7					9

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

2	7	1	5	8	3	4	6	9
6	5	9	7	2	4	3	1	8
8	4	3	9	6	1	2	5	7
5	2	4	3	1	9	7	8	6
9	8	6	2	4	7	1	3	5
3	1	7	8	5	6	9	2	4
4	9	8	1	3	5	6	7	2
7	3	2	6	9	8	5	4	1
1	6	5	4	7	2	8	9	3

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♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 You will be inspired to reach out to other people.
♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Someone in a position of authority will smile on you today.
♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You can still turn a lost cause into a triumph.
♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 This should be a lucky day for you but to what extent depends on your willingness to make sacrifices for the wider good
♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 The more challenging a situation is the more it can help you grow.
♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Don't waste your precious time arguing with people who to your way of thinking are foolish in the extreme.
♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Choose your goals carefully today. Make them special.
♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Steer clear of other people's fights and feuds.
♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Someone you have to deal with today will be all over the place, both mentally and emotionally.
♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 . Reach out to the world over the next 24 hours. Remind people you're still alive and kicking. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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